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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: Kiyoshi IRINO

Serial No.: 09/428,052

Filed: October 27, 1999

Group Art Unit: 28

Examiner: J. Diaz

For: METHOD OF FABRICATING A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE CONTAINING

NITROGEN IN A GATE OXIDE FILM (AS AMENDED)

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: November 2001

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 9, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 6 and 10 as follows:

6. (Three Times Amended) A method of fabricating a semiconductor device, comprising

the steps of:

forming a gate oxide film on a substrate;

forming a gate electrode pattern on said gate oxide film;